MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS July 9, 2004

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, July 9, 2004, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. This meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Harwell, MFT, Chair
Helen W. Coale, CSW
Eric Groh, LPC
William Carlos Jackson, MFT
Janet H. Lenard, CSW
Jan Ligon, CSW
Christus Powell, MFT
Donald M. Syfert, L.P.C.

****Eric Groh was present on June 24, 2004 to review files.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Joan Fryer, LPC, Vice-Chair Joyce Evans, Consumer

STAFF PRESENT

Lee Tracy, Executive Director Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist Dena Kirkman, Board Secretary

GUESTS

Sue Fort, NASW Fred Brown, LPC Gale Macke, LPCA Executive Director

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:07 a.m. motion Syfert, seconded Coale, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Harwell, Groh, Jackson, Lenard, Ligon, and Powell. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

OPEN SESSION

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Tracy provided feedback to the Board members concerning the renewal status. She reported that there were 206 licensees left to renew. Ms. Tracy led a discussion on the Continuing Education Rule 135-9 and stated that the Board may wish to review the rule for possible revision prior to the next biennium renewal.

MINUTES

Motion Groh, seconded Lenard and motion carried, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2004 meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Board members discussed the policy of continuing the CE Audit beyond the June 30, 2004 ending of the early renewal period. This would affect licensees renewing during the late renewal period of July 1 through September 30.

Discussion of letter received by J. Fred Brown concerning the question "May a person who provides all functions and assumes all responsibilities, and who otherwise meets all criteria, as administrative Director, including intervention and removal of the supervisee from the job and the work-site, be said to provide Direction during Directed Experience if he or she is an employee of the State of Georgia while the supervisee is an employee of an entity contracted to provide State of Georgia mental health services under now-universal 'privatization' of MH services under Community Service Boards in Georgia?" Letter will be forwarded to Board Attorney for further review.

THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Motion Powell, seconded Syfert and motion carried, to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Report.**

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Selfie, Stacie Approved Steverson, Leonard (request for extension of LAMFT status)Denied

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Kelsh-Oliver, Karia (endorsement)

Pending completion

of documentation

Rouse-Arnett, Marlo (exam) Approved Sexton, Melissa (exam) Denied

Argosy University Atlanta Approved 4 courses

Request for review and approval for five courses

Motion Syfert, seconded Powell and motion carried, to accept the **Licensed Professional** Counselors Standards Report.

INTERVIEWS

Clay Gill – LPC (10:30 a.m.) Approved

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Beam, Chris (change of supv/dir) Approved Biering, Terry (change of supv/dir) Approved Chandler, Nils (2nd review/additional info) Approved Clark, Susan (exam) Approved Clegg, Rebecca (exam waiver) Approved Cole, Alison (exam) Approved Davis, Patrick (2nd review/additional info) Approved Dickson, Sharon (exam) Approved Drakon, Seam (change of supv/director) Denied Faust, Billie (exam) Approved Jennings, David (exam waiver) Approved Jones, Marcia (exam) Approved Land, Amy (exam) Approved Lattimore-Smith, Michele (exam) Approved Lowrance, Joy (exam waiver) Approved Denied McMahan, Dianne (exam waiver) Ogletree, Susan (exam waiver) Conditional Price, Rachel (exam-must submit fee) Approved Seigler, Jennifer (exam) Approved Slusher, Dilma (exam) Approved Thames, Jamie (exam) Conditional Townsend, Debra (exam) Approved Valence, Kira (exam) Approved Approved Williams, Karri (exam) Wright, Jennifer (exam) Approved

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

Bethune, Penny (exam waiver/APC) Denied Chaney, Michael (exam waiver/APC) Approved Clark, Laura (exam waiver) Approved Conley, Cynthia (exam waiver) Approved Cook, Faye (exam) Approved Dickson, Walda (reactivate) Denied Drake, Chesta (reinstatement/exam) Approved Dulaney, Bonnett (exam waiver) Denied Galovic, Michael (exam waiver/APC) Approved Gaylor, Lori (exam waiver/APC) Approved Gilbert, Kendra (exam wavier/APC) Pending Hill, Kathryn (exam waiver/APC) Approved Houston, Irene (exam waiver) Approved Ingram, Melanie (endorsement) Approved Jaeger, Greta (exam wavier/APC) Approved

Lanning, Joan (exam waiver) Approved Approved McDonald, Sally (exam waiver/APC) Morris, Michelle (exam waiver) Denied Poynor, Karen (exam waiver/APC) Approved Richeson, Steven (exam waiver/APC) Approved Ritter, Kelli (exam waiver) Approved Rose, Michael (exam) Approved Salim, Onaje (exam waiver/APC) Approved Stevens, Amy (exam) Approved Sullivan, Marianna (reactivate) Approved Sutherland-Ford, Sonja (exam waiver) Approved Varnadore, Christy (exam waiver/APC) Approved Wages, M. Dianne (exam waiver/APC) Approved Walker, Jacqueline (exam) Denied Wenze, Cornelia (exam waiver) Denied Wilbanks, Deana (exam waiver/APC) Denied Wilson, Deborah (exam) Denied Wilson, Michael Todd (exam waiver) Approved Wynne, Lauren (exam waiver) Approved

Motion Ligon, seconded Syfert and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report.**

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION WAIVER

Bailey, Stephanie Approved Bell. Terri Approved Brenner, Dana Approved Brownlee, Sarah Approved Approved Cornwell, Sara Davis, Joi Approved David, Daniel Approved Dinkins, Leslie Approved Evwaraye, Onoriode Approved Goucher, Amanda Approved Harper, David Approved Johnson, Michael Approved Kautter, Nicole Approved Kramer, Stacy Approved Londono, Clara (2nd review/additional info) Approved Medeiros, Jennie Approved Minor, Zoe Approved Approved Minton, Ginger Mulvaney, Pamela Approved Perdue, Judith Approved Register, Sophia Approved Scantlen, Robin Approved Thomas, Sammy
Approved
Williams, Katina
Approved
Williams, Kimberly
Approved
Williamson, Sean
Approved
Yun, Sung Hyun
Denied

MASTER SOCIAL WORKER REACTIVATION

Cabe, Lynn Denied – short on CEUs

Hamilton, Candace Approved

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION

Cha. Mi Approved Davis, Grace Denied Grove, Helen Approved Holbrook, Abigail Approved Hurst, Sandra (reinstatement-approval to retake exam) Denied Pruitt, Diana (request to retake exam/failed 3x) Approved Roberts, Deltrice Approved Rysiew, Minou Approved Whitfield, Sherman (2nd review/additional info rec.) Denied Demied Williams, Ann

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINATION WAIVER

Averett, Tegrin

Kirk, Alan

Denied

Lohman, Eric

Mosher, Jodi

Denied

Denied

Rohan, Elizabeth (exam waiver-2nd review-request re-evaluation) Denied

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER REACTIVATION

Carlton, Amy Approved

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

COMP040041 Recommended to close case.

41-01-990001 Recommended to close case due to failure to substantiate

violation of Ethics.

Dr. Robert McGuigan Received CE certificate for compliance with Consent

Order.

Kathleen Connors Quarterly report received. In compliance with Consent

Order.

Juliane Kilgore Quarterly report received. In compliance with Consent

Order.

Motion Syfert, and seconded Jackson and motion carried, to accept the recommendations and report of the Investigative Committee.

Request received from Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation to suspend the license for Peggy A. Smith, MSW, for defaulting on a student loan. Motion Jackson, seconded Lenard and motion carried, to suspend Peggy A. Smith's license to practice as a Master Social Worker, Licensee No. 02932, for failure to repay a student loan, and further move that this suspension will cease upon receipt by the Joint Secretary of a "Notice of Release" from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

The Board accepted the updated report by Dominick Crea, Attorney General, on cases in his office.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Jackson, and seconded Powell and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Patricia R. Harwell, MFT, Chair GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS Mollie L. Fleeman, J.D., Director PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

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